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of said tube, so that said tube can be slid onto said shaft, said shaft being at least partially curved, and said shaft having a continuously curved portion extending from said distal end and extending along the length of the shaft to a transition point, and a straight portion extending along the length of the shaft from the transition point to the proximal end.

[wherein said shaft comprises a continuously curved portion starting from said distal end.]

- 6. The intubation system of claim 1, wherein [a straight portion follows said continuously curved portion, upon which] an adapter is arranged on the straight portion of said shaft for fixing said tube on said shaft and wherein said adapter comprises a connector for connecting an air supply hose.
- 10. The intubation system of claim 1, wherein said outer diameter of said shaft lies in a range of about 1.5 mm to 2.5 mm[, preferably is about 2 mm].

Please add new claim 11

11. The intubation system of claim 10, wherein said outer diameter of said shaft is about 2 mm.

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